

REQUEST FOR ACTION

To: Mark De Bie, Deputy Director
Waste Permitting, Compliance and Mitigation Division

From: Wes Mindermann
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Reviewed By: Steve Levine, Legal Office

Request Date: April 14, 2014

Decision Subject: **APPROVAL FOR THE SECOND AUGMENTATION OF OAKLAND ESTUARY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT, ALAMEDA COUNTY, UNDER THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND CODISPOSAL SITE CLEANUP PROGRAMS (SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL TRUST FUND, FY 2013/14)**

Action By: April 15, 2014

Summary of Request:

Staff requests approval of \$130,000 from the Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program (Program) to augment the ongoing Department-managed cleanup project to remove waste materials at disposal sites in the Oakland Estuary. These funds augment the August 7, 2013, Request for Action for the Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project and National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NWFF) Grant, and the February 13, 2014, Request for Action for the Augmentation of Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project. These funds will complete the estuary project and support the United States Coast Guard actions with the vessel named the Respect.

Recommendation:

CalRecycle staff recommends approving the \$130,000 augmentation of the project in the Oakland Estuary.

Deputy Director Action:

On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Action and the findings set out herein, I hereby approve this project under the Solid Waste Disposal and Codisposal Site Cleanup Program.



Mark De Bie, Deputy Director
Waste Permitting, Compliance and Mitigation Division

Dated: 4/15/14

Proposed Pilot Project Scope of Work:

The background and findings for the Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project are described in detail in the previously approved August 7, 2013 Request for Action. These requested funds will be used to augment and complete the previously approved Oakland Estuary Project and the removal of the vessel named the Respect. The removal and Salvage of the Respect was estimated at \$130,000 in the February 13, 2014, Request for Action for the Augmentation of Oakland Estuary Project. Costs to complete the vessel salvage escalated significantly to address unanticipated bunker fuel remaining on the vessel and several equipment failures. Costs to complete the vessel salvage estimated at an additional \$130,000. The funds are unmatched and will not have an impact to the NFFF Grant.

Throughout the project, the project managers for CalRecycle, the USEPA, and USCG have divided tasks between agencies, including adjustments to the tasking as additional resources have been identified. CalRecycle has operated primarily in the role of performing the demolition, recycling, and disposal of the non-hazardous marine debris. The original CalRecycle budget of \$1.3 million was augmented by \$130,000 (10%) in the February Request for Action. Augmenting this budget by an additional \$130,000, would bring the total augmentation to 20% and would allow CalRecycle to complete the Oakland Estuary Enhancement Project and continue the successful cooperative working relationship with the USEPA and USCG.

To date the CalRecycle has removed 58 vessels, four docks, nine marine debris sites, and debris from two shorelines. A total of 365 tons of metal has been recycled and over 1150 tons of debris has been removed from the estuary. The USEPA as removed 17,700 lbs of asbestos containing material, 3,270 lbs of waste paint and related material, 1,000 gallons of flammable liquids, 120 lbs of toxic liquid, 33 yards of Non-RCRA debris, 32 units of explosives (marine flares), 29 units of marine batteries, 50 gallons of waste oil, and 1,700 yards of California Hazardous Waste.

Fiscal Impacts:

The Department-managed project will be performed on a time-and-materials basis under the Program's Northern California remediation contract (DRR12034). The Program's contractor has completed a majority of the project and is currently processing the last vessel. CalRecycle's remediation contract for Northern California currently has approximately \$230,000 in available funds to cover the \$130,000 to complete the project.